



Florida School Boards Association

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FSBA News - January 2017

State Government Relations

Florida Legislature - Interim Committee Weeks

The Florida Legislature will hold the first Interim Committee meetings of 2017 this week. FSBA offers a wide range of resources to help you stay informed, especially during the weeks of and leading up to Legislative Session.

Be sure to click on the links below and check back often for updates:

- [Resource room](#)
- [State Government Relations Page](#)
- [Advocacy Tool Page](#)

If you are planning to be in the capital city for this week's meetings, be sure to stop by YOUR FSBA Tallahassee office. [MAP](#)

Constitutional Revision Commission

Appointments to the Constitutional Revision Commission will be made this month. For more information on the CRC and application process, please visit the [FSBA Legal News Room](#).

Member Directory - Feedback Needed

As we approach the timeline for developing the membership directory, it has been communicated by membership that, although a convenient Rolodex, the publication is often out of date within months of printing due to a number of factors like superintendent changes, board member changes, etc.

In an effort to provide the most current and accurate contact information to members, and to best allocate staff time toward the goals of the FSBA Strategic Plan 2020, we are requesting your feedback:

- [Member Directory Feedback Survey](#)

FSBA Upcoming Events

Certified Board Member Forums

- February 8 - [CBM School Finance Forum](#)

- February 9 - [CBM Personnel & Bargaining Issues Forum](#)

Hotel reservation deadline - January 13

Registration deadline - January 27

Master Board Program

Intent to Participate forms are due February 1

- April 6-7, Mission Inn Resort at Howey-in-the-Hills
- May 4-5, Gainesville, FL (Sessions held at Covenant Church)
- May 18-19, Holiday Inn Panama City
- June 29-30, Bowling Green (Sessions held at South FL State College)

New School Board Member Academy

March 28-29 - [New School Board Member Academy, Part II - "Staying on Track"](#)

Registration opening soon

Contact [Carolyn Sanders](#) with questions about Leadership Development events

30th Annual Day in the Legislature & Board of Directors' Meeting

March 29-31, Tallahassee

Registration opening soon

Contact [Patricia Peterson](#) for more information

New Year, New Resources

Need a New Year's Resolution? Get connected. Stay connected.

Follow our social media accounts to stay up to date with education news, FSBA blogs and announcements, and exciting happenings in public school districts across the state.

Prefer the website? No problem. Staff is working daily to maintain and build user-friendly resources to best prepare our members to advocate for Florida's students.

Share your feedback. Have a suggestion or want to share your story? Click [HERE](#) to contact us today.



"Like" the FSBA Facebook page to follow education news, event coverage, and more.



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Click below for **weekly editions of the #FridayFive**:

Click below for January's **OnBoard** blog about responsible leadership:



FSBA Announces Partnership with EdCred K12

FSBA is proud to announce a partnership with EdCred K12, a transparency in purchasing platform that provides ratings and reviews on education products and services. Before you vote to purchase education products, check out the reviews on EdCredible.com.

You can register for FREE to access ratings and reviews today by clicking [HERE](#)

EdCred will also be offering free webinars to help you navigate this new platform. Sign up by clicking [HERE](#).



Last Chance for Board Governance Survey

UCEA SURVEY

The University Council for Education Administration has asked that Florida School Board members participate in their research study on School Board Governance and its effectiveness on student achievement. Click [HERE](#) to access the survey.

Resolution on African American History Required Instruction Statute

In 2014, a task force was established to enact a resolution commemorating 20 years since the passage of the African American History Required Instruction Florida Statute (1994).

This resolution is posted in our FSBA Resource Room under Curriculum. Please feel free to utilize the resolution in your district.

- [Access the resolution by clicking HERE»](#)

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NSBA School Rx Cooperative



FSBA is proud to partner with the NSBA School Rx Cooperative. The Cooperative is a new and innovative pharmacy benefit program that delivers cost savings to self-funded districts. Budgets are tight. Student achievement is our priority. This is a way to save money and put it back where it belongs, back to student achievement.

We have set up an information page for School Board Members on our FSBA Website, and have included the October "Did You Know" article outlining related current issues and benefits to joining. Access these resources by clicking the links below:

- [CLICK HERE](#) to access the article»
- [CLICK HERE](#) to access the information page»

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